



# The Bay Leaf

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## Voting issue! Please vote for chapter officers with the enclosed ballot.

Paper ballots will be mailed to members who receive the *Bay Leaf* online. **There is no Membership Meeting in December.** The January meeting, January 25 at the Orinda Library, will be feature Professor Bruce Baldwin of the Jepson Herbarium speaking about what the new *Jepson Manual* means for California floristics.

## CONSERVATION ANALYST'S REPORT



Chapter Conservation Analyst Mack Casterman

**Alameda County Solar Policy**  
Since my last update, our SOLAR (Save Our Land Agriculture and Raptors) Coalition (mentioned in last month's update) has grown to include Save Mount Diablo. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors Transportation and Planning Committee again met to hear staff's updated report on the potential direction for a county wide policy on large scale solar farms in rural areas.

At this meeting, staff recommended amending the General Plan to reflect the new rural land use (large scale solar facilities) and to ensure there is no conflict with existing policies such as the East County Area Plan (ECAP) that protect agricultural land in the county and limit industrial development. This General Plan revision would involve a complete environmental review process and I hope that with our growing coalition, we will be a very effective lobbying force. The staff's recommendation, which the Supervisors agreed to bring to their full board, included the explanation that while this General Plan revision and accompanying environmental review is going on, the county would not approve any solar projects in rural areas that conflict with existing policies such as the ECAP. The planner's new recommendation is a big step forward from last month's meeting where they voiced hesitancy regarding a policy wide

environmental review and we are happy with the change. I will continue to keep you updated as the plan evolves.

### North Richmond Shoreline

At the October 20<sup>th</sup> Richmond Planning Commission meeting, the Commission voted to forego a decision on the zoning designation for the North Shoreline and instead send the item on to the City Council to make the decision. This has been a controversial process, but EBCNPS remains hopeful that the North Shore area of Richmond will retain its draft General Plan designation of "Open Space", completing what we believe is a great general plan that prioritizes Richmond's incredible natural resources and protects them for its citizens' education and enjoyment.

### Oakland Zoo Expansion

Since my last update, mediated settlement negotiations between our group (EBCNPS and the Friends of Knowland Park) and the City of Oakland/ The Oakland Zoo have ended. We will instead return to court to continue our lawsuit, which charges that the city broke the law when it approved the Zoo's plans for a 52 acre theme park development on top of rare native grassland and chaparral communities at Oakland's Knowland Park (part of our "Foothills of South Oakland" BPPA) without requiring a full Environmental Impact Report. We had remained optimistic that mediation would succeed and spent nearly two months trying to find a win-win settlement, but at the end, we still had no way to permanently protect any portion of Knowland Park from development and were forced back into the courtroom. We will continue to update you with any new developments in this challenging project.

The Conservation Committee is always looking for new volunteers to get involved in our many projects. If you are interested in working with me on any of the above projects or any that you have read about on our blog or in past Con-

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servation Analyst Updates, please feel free to contact me by phone at 510-734-0335 or by email at [conservation@ebcnps.org](mailto:conservation@ebcnps.org). And as always, for more detailed updates on all of our

conservation projects, please visit the Conservation Blog at [ebcnps.wordpress.com](http://ebcnps.wordpress.com).

*Mack Casterman, Conservation Analyst*

## NATIVE HERE

Continuing our specials on trees, during December prices are slashed in half for two gallon *Cornus sericea*, two and five gallon *Lonicera involucrata*, and all five gallon trees. (That makes a 2 gallon creek dogwood less expensive than one in a gallon pot—what a deal!)

Inland gardeners and landscapers may still take advantage of the half price offer on *Rhamnus ilicifolia* from Livermore (sorry, not other locales) when buying three or more. Redberry has not been used much in horticulture, partly because it has not been available. Its foliage, lovely red berries, and drought hardiness make it a great candidate for informal hedges or group plantings.

Come pick up these plants as gifts. Other gift ideas: our CD of East Bay Plants and we also have several native plant books, including *Vegetation Management Almanac for the East Bay Hills*, *Rare Lilies of California*, *Care and Maintenance of Southern California Native Plant Gardens*, and *Discover California Shrubs*.

**The remaining tadpoles** in our Wildcat section tubs transformed into frogs in early October and we have heard a few croaks around the nursery. I haven't seen our resident treefrog in the office shed in a few weeks, so perhaps he/she hopped away to another area.

## FIELD TRIP

**Sunday, January 8, 2:00 pm, Field trip to Huddart County Park to see Fetid Adder's Tongue Location:** Huddart County Park, 1100 Kings Mountain Road, Woodside (San Mateo County) California. Meet in the parking lot just past the pay station. David Margolies (510-654-0283, 510-393-1858 cell, [divaricatum@gmail.net](mailto:divaricatum@gmail.net)) will lead a hike on the Crystal Springs Trail where *Scoliopus bigelovii* (fetid adder's tongue, Liliaceae, photo by John Game) blooms in early January. (In most locations outside botanical gardens, it blooms in late January or early February.) This is a gentle trail, losing about 200 feet over about 1/2 mile to the creek. We will walk to the creek and then return the same way. It is unlikely that there will be any other flowers out this early, but the fetid adder's tongue's presence tells us that the new flower season has started. (Other plants out of flower will also be identified.) The area is second growth redwood and mixed evergreen forest.

**How to get there:** Go to Woodside: cross the Bay Bridge, get on I-280 south and take it to the 84 west/Woodside Road exit. Go west through the town of Woodside. Soon after the main part of the town, take a right onto Kings Mountain Road. The park entrance is on the right after a few miles. Go past the pay station into the main parking lot. We will meet there. Note that you must pay the parking fee even if the station

A handsome buck spent hours gorging himself on fallen acorns in the bottom parking lot. Indigenous hunters here used to burn and clear areas under oaks partly to encourage deer to come and feed on fallen acorns. Now we have asphalt parking lots to attract deer to the acorns.

**Nursery hours** are Tuesdays—noon to 3 pm, Fridays—nine to noon, and Saturdays—10 to two. From the large lower parking lot, enter the nursery from either the entrance used during the Plant Fair or walk up the steep driveway. Loading and limited parking is available on the upper level.

Anyone interested in leading seed collecting expeditions should contact Charli by January 1 so she can include your name on our collection permits for 2012-13. Email [nativehere@ebcnps.org](mailto:nativehere@ebcnps.org).

Volunteers are always welcome during open hours. The nursery needs more volunteers willing to "adopt" a section to keep watered and weed free. Once trained in our water conserving practices, volunteers can choose a schedule independent of the open hours. Watering needs are less during the winter, but we can still get dry spells and frost, which dries plants out and damages them if they aren't kept watered.

*Margot Cunningham and Charli Danielsen*

is not staffed (use the envelopes provided). Note: There is poison oak in the park. Poison oak is dangerous even when it has no leaves. Stay on the trail. It will probably be muddy and may be raining. Be prepared. The walk will take place rain or shine.



## RESTORATION PROJECTS

**First Saturday of each month at Pt. Isabel on the Bay Trail**  
Our hours are 10 am to 2 pm. We remove invasive plants and re-vegetate with native plants grown from plants found at the site. We are located at the end of Rydin Road just off the I-580 next to Hoffman Marsh. Contact info: e-mail: kyotousa@sbcglobal.net, cell: 510-684-6484

**Saturday, December 3 at 9:00 am, Redwood Regional Park at Skyline Gate** Join volunteers and Regional Park staff to pull French broom (*Genista monspessulana*) at nearly the easiest working time of the year. Native vegetation is emerging in sunlight left after removing *Genista* thickets, especially along East Ridge trail. Dress in long sleeves and pants that can get muddy. Bring your favorite tool and rubber gloves, or you can ask Park staff for loaners. Official ending time is 1 pm, but the hard core may keep going. Fungus kingdom enthusiasts are welcome, as unknown lichens and mushrooms sprout after early rains.

**Saturday, December 10 at 9:30 am, Huckleberry Regional Park**  
We will return to the Huckleberry parking lot to scope recent weather, soil and the best places and plants to work on. Of course, there will be French broom sprouts from the wet weather, but also trees to liberate from cape ivy and *Vinca major* to pull and bag. As at Redwood Park, you can bring the gloves and tools of your choice, or let us know if you need loaners.

**Sunday, December 18 at 9:00 am, Sibley Regional Park at Skyline entrance** Meet us at the south end of the Sibley-to-Tilden trail next to the parking lot. Trail conditions will likely affect where we work, but winter will always produce French broom and poison hemlock sprouts to rip. Weather permitting, we will work until 12:30 pm, but some may stay later. If you need loaner gloves or tools, you can e-mail janetgawthrop47@gmail.com or jmanley@ebparks.org.

**Directions:** You can access all three sites from Highway 13 by exiting at Moraga/Thornhill from either direction, and proceeding south on Moraga through Montclair Village to the traffic light at Moraga/Mountain and Snake. Turn left/uphill onto Snake and at the first intersection the routes diverge. If you are going to Redwood Park, continue straight and you will find that you are now on Shepherd Canyon Road. Follow Shepherd Canyon uphill until it ends at Skyline. Turn right onto Skyline and follow it until you see the Redwood Park signs on the left side of Skyline. To get to Huckleberry and Sibley parks, follow the same directions, but then make a hard left/uphill turn to stay on Snake, instead of continuing straight. Follow Snake northeast to its end at Skyline and then turn left. Huckleberry Park will be on the right side a short distance north on Skyline, and Sibley Park is about 1/2 mile further north, also on the right side of Skyline.

*Janet Gawthrop*

**Saturday, December 17, Restoration Planting Party in Garber Park, 9 am-noon with lunch to follow**  
Approximately one year ago the Garber Park Stewards con-

ducted their first ever native Restoration Planting in Garber Park. The planting, which was guided by Lech Naumovich, Golden Hour Restoration Institute, involved the planting of 200 plants in five planting beds across the Evergreen Lane entrance hillside. With the information gained from this successful initial phase, we are now planning a phase two planting, which will cover a significant portion of the entrance hillside.

We are fortunate, once again, to have Lech planning and guiding our efforts. As always, there will be many different kinds of activities that volunteers can do on planting day – not everyone needs to climb the hill or dig in the dirt.

Dress in layers and wear shoes or boots with good traction.

Meet at the Evergreen Lane Entrance at 9 am. For directions and further information visit our blog: [www.garberparkstewards.blogspot.com](http://www.garberparkstewards.blogspot.com), or contact Shelagh Broderson at [garberparkstewards@gmail.com](mailto:garberparkstewards@gmail.com) or 510-540-1918.

**Contact listings for Contra Costa restoration projects:** In the September *Bay Leaf*, Lesley Hunt wrote about several projects in Contra Costa County. Below is contact information for those projects.

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Work crew at Point Isabel, photo by Jane Kelly

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT: JOHN RUSK (REPRISE)



Meet John Rusk. John is a longtime member who was an active volunteer at the Plant Fair when it was at Merritt College. Now his activities are focused on the Regional Parks Botanic Garden, including serving as registrar of their education program. They are one of the few local organizations (along with the Jepson Herbarium and the CNPS) that provide serious botanical educational opportunities for Bay Area adults. (John's wife, Michiko Rusk, took photo)

I feel a bit of a fraud writing this piece for it has been several years since I was active in the East Bay chapter.

I joined CNPS around 1990 when it became apparent that I needed to learn more about those little green things I was photographing. I attended nearly every membership meeting. I went on hikes about once a month. I participated in field trips up and down California. I pored over Munz, then Jepson 2 and the *Flora of North America*, even reading the front matter of those tomes. Slowly, I learned.

I also read the *Bay Leaf*. In those days, each *Bay Leaf* had an invitation to join Shirley McPheeters and Roy West propagating plants for the annual CNPS plant sale, which was then held at Merritt College. As my (paid) work life slowed down, I found that I had time on my hands. I knew two things. First, if I didn't force myself to participate in outside activities I would become a recluse. Secondly, I, like so many men, found myself underfoot as my wife went about her tasks.

One Tuesday morning in 1996 (I think), I drove to Merritt College to volunteer. That first day I learned that propagation was largely a matter of taking plants out of little pots and putting them into bigger pots. Thursday of that week, I started volunteering at the Regional Parks Botanic Garden as well.

Shirley was patient with me. She never called me an idiot but she did point out that I was making the same mistakes week after week. I improved and her corrections came fewer and farther between. She began teaching me the nuances. Certain cuttings had to be handled with care for their roots were tender; other plants needed their roots teased out as

they were transferred to larger pots. And above all: "Don't bury the crown!"

What surprised me was that I, who always had difficulty forming friendships, formed some of the deepest attachments of my life: Shirley, of course, and Roy, who has gone on to bigger things, but also the two Lees—the talented artist Lee McCaffree and dear Lee Hartman. I hesitate to list names because I will leave somebody out. There's also Marguerite Harrell, Linda Newton, and the woman who convinced me to write this piece, Elaine Jackson. There's Barbara, Liz, Sandy, Caroline, Toni, Ed, and more. I meet with many of them a couple of times each year.

The plant sale at Merritt came to an end, as all things must. The plant sale lives on in a different form at the Native Plant Fair held at our East Bay Chapter's Native Here nursery in Tilden. And that is good.

But the end of the plant sale at Merritt College led me to increase my volunteer participation at the Regional Parks Botanic Garden. Not only do I still help propagating plants (increasing infirmities have led me to assume more of a gray-beard role), but I also became the registrar for the Friends of the Regional Parks Botanic Garden classes. I have lately assumed editorship of a new newsletter promoting the garden (feel free to subscribe at [www.nativeplants.org](http://www.nativeplants.org)).

I will end by saying that I love plants--and plant people, almost as much. Volunteer! You'll be doing nice things for plants among nice people.

*John Rusk*

Please join us in welcoming our new members for October/November time frame; Laura Evans, Melissa Weaver, Amy Billstrom, Sun Johnson, Eric King, John Stansbury, NJ Foss, Susann Calkins, Thomas Madsen, & Louise McGuire.

As always, a huge thank you to our renewing members.

### Announcement

The Membership Chair position will soon be vacant. If you are looking for a fun, fulfilling, self-directed volunteer opportunity, this position is for you. Email or call me for more information [elainejx@att.net](mailto:elainejx@att.net) 925-372-0687

### Reminders

- Still looking for join dates prior to 1986
- Outreach Coordinator position still vacant
- Restoration Chair, vacant
- Be sure and visit our updated membership page at [ebnps.org/iindex.php/membership](http://ebnps.org/iindex.php/membership)

*Elaine Jackson*

## CONSERVATION ANALYST APPEAL UPDATE

Thanks to the wonderful generosity of our donors, the 2011-12 Conservation Analyst Appeal has netted \$23,070 thus far. We are almost 2/3 of the way to our goal! Please become a donor and join this important effort to maintain our Conservation Analyst position, a critical component of our conservation program. In the *Bay Leaf* and on our conservation blog ([ebcnps.wordpress.com/](http://ebcnps.wordpress.com/)), you can read about the many native plant issues that Mack Casterman, our current C.A., is engaged in on behalf of our chapter. This is the seventh year of our Conservation Analyst program, and thanks to your generosity in funding this half-time staff position, we have been able to bring far greater protection to our native flora by increasing the strength, consistency, and effectiveness of our volunteer program.

Help us keep up the good work!

We extend our deep gratitude to the following donors to the 2011-2012 Conservation Analyst Appeal:

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## PLANT FAIR 2011



Photos by Joe Willingham. For more pictures of the October 2011 Plant Fair visit the Plant Fair page of the East Bay Chapter web site, [ebcnps.org/index.php/plant\\_fair/](http://ebcnps.org/index.php/plant_fair/)



## UPDATE ON MT. DIABLO BUCKWHEAT

The Mt. Diablo buckwheat (*Eriogonum truncatum*) was thought to be extinct in the wild until it was rediscovered by UC Berkeley graduate student Michael Park in 2005. It had not been seen since 1936. Michael was encouraged to look for this species by Dr. Barbara Ertter, co-author of the revised *The Flowering Plants and Ferns of Mount Diablo, California*, published in 2002. Michael found less than two dozen plants in one population on land that had been acquired by Save Mt. Diablo and recently turned over to state park ownership.

The Mt. Diablo Buckwheat Working Group was created to help improve the conservation status of this plant. The group includes representatives from state parks (Cyndy Shafer, Diablo Vista District), UC Berkeley (Michael Park, Sue Bainbridge, Herbarium and Holly Forbes, UC Botanical Garden), East Bay CNPS (Heath Bartosh) and Save Mount Diablo (Seth Adams and Scott Hein). They last met by phone in June 2011. State Fish & Game and US Fish & Wildlife Service staff also participate and have provided some funding.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service's 2002 "Draft Recovery Plan for Chaparral and Scrub Community Species East of San Francisco Bay, CA," included recommendations for improving the situation of the Mt. Diablo buckwheat. Kudos to the Service for working on the assumption that the buckwheat would be found some day. The working group to date has begun or completed most of the recommendations, including forming the working group, collecting and storing seeds, and attempting introductions.

Michael Park and Cyndy Shafer have been monitoring the rediscovery (wild) site and introduction sites each year. The rediscovery (wild) site had 16 plants in May 2011, almost the same number of plants as there had been in 2010, when there were 15. The results of the 2009 experimental introduction sites (three) are encouraging. On the last visit there were 41 plants in total, compared to 40 in 2010. The 2008 reintroduction sites were unsuccessful (no plants were observed in May 2011).

Habitat quality is the most important factor for the success of introduction sites. Those sites that did well have a bare strip at the edge of the grassland that is maintained year-round. The most successful reintroduction site appears to have ecological dynamics similar to those at the rediscovery site.

The camera trap that was set up at the rediscovery site in December 2008 has recorded (in order of frequency of visits): mule deer, Western scrub jay, California quail, bobcat, coyote, brush rabbit, California towhee, fox squirrel, raccoon, gray fox, striped skunk, Dark-eyed junco, Golden-crowned sparrow and Anna's hummingbird. We suspect that the birds are eating buckwheat seeds, among others; but many seeds survive, hidden among the seeds of more common annuals. Cattle are also frequently captured on camera.

A lot of the small herbivores (like rodents, mice) are probably not captured by the camera trap, but they're probably there since coyotes and bobcats are so frequently recorded by the camera. Rodents are probably using the chaparral for cover (like the quail which have been observed) and venture out to feed. The further away from the chaparral cover that you go, the less the intensity of herbivory. The buckwheat plants have pretty much been pinned to the edge of the grassland.

The group discussed potential future reintroduction possibilities which include augmenting the successful 2009 sites and/or finding new locations to sow seeds. Save Mount Diablo owns several properties, of which some appear to have appropriate habitat for the buckwheat. These will be further evaluated for introductions as resources permit.

We are hoping that 2012 will be a boom year at the rediscovery site, because the rainfall patterns of 2011 supported good plant growth and seed set. If many plants are doing well, we will collect more seed from habitat. Plants can be grown in a nursery setting for seed production, but are self-selected for those that do best in this artificial environment. Self-selection of this sort may decrease some of the genetic variation we hope is present.

The Mt. Diablo buckwheat is already in small genetic bottleneck (due to the small number of individuals). We see the results of some potentially genetic variation (leaf shape, etc.). No genetic analyses have been done to date but are desirable. This would require additional funding.

The working group is developing 5-year goals for recovery of the buckwheat. These include trying to establish additional sites, with the goal of having at least the same number of sites for the species (5) as there were historically. All introductions will be done in an experimental context, so that we can build on successes.

Michael Park plans to make this a long-term study since he already has 7 years of data. We look forward to its publication.

Look for announcements of a "Find the Buckwheat Day" in spring 2012, since it could possibly be a boom year for the species. Field trips will be focused on potential introduction sites.

*Holly Forbes & Cyndy Shafer*

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Heath Bartosh and Cyndy Shafer sowing seeds of Mt. Diablo buckwheat in 2009. Photo by Holly Forbes.



Mt. Diablo buckwheat in UC Botanical Garden nursery. Photo by Holly Forbes.

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Dec. 3	Sierra Valley and Lakes Basin in the northern Sierra—Steve Edwards
Dec. 10	Tales from Old Greyback: a foray to the top of Southern California's highest peak, San Gorgonio Mountain—Heath Bartosh
Dec. 17	Plants of Arizona's deserts and mountains —Dick O'Donnell

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### Membership Application and Renewal Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Membership category:

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Individual, \$45

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Family, Library, Group or International, \$75

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Plant lover, \$100

I wish to affiliate with:

Patron, \$300

Benefactor, \$600

Mariposa Lily, \$1500

Limited Income or student, \$25.00

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Mail application and check to: California Native Plant Society, 2707 K Street, Suite 1, Sacramento CA 95816